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CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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To Commissioner For Patents

Please enter the following submission and withdraw the finality of the proceeding office action or withdraw any pending appeal and reopen prosecution before the Examiner.

<i>Application Number</i>	10/037,490
<i>Filing Date</i>	December 28, 2001
<i>First Named Inventor</i>	Bernd Clauberg
<i>Group Art Unit</i>	2821
<i>Examiner Name</i>	Trinh Vo. Dinh
<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	US010726

This is an RCE under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application (which is made prior to: payment of issue fee; abandonment; notice of appeal to the CAFC; or commencement of civil action under 35 U.S.C. 145 or 146.)

**1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**a.  Previously submittedi.  Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on August 4, 2003  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_**RECEIVED  
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- i.  Amendment/Reply
- ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv.  Other \_\_\_\_\_ (may not be a brief)

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**2. Miscellaneous**a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (May not exceed 3 months; Fee required per 37 C.F.R. § 1.117(i))b.  Other \_\_\_\_\_**OFFICIAL****3. Fees**a.  The Commissioner For Patents is hereby authorized to charge all required fees except the issue fee or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 14-1270**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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